

MESA DEPARTMENT

L. W. COOMBS,
Manager

CHRISTMAS WEEK

And you must get everything before Friday night. Just come in and see the lovely fragile china that will please every one in the house from the oldest to the youngest. Child's tea and dinner sets, doll carriages, toys of all descriptions, furniture, nice easy Morris chairs, sewing rockers and other articles which will beautify the home and give comfort also. Come in and see them.

O. S. STAPLEY & CO.

BIG AUCTION SALE AT MESA FEED YARD

COMMENCING AT 10 A. M. FRIDAY, DEC. 24, we will offer for sale to the highest bidder, 35 head of horses, riding, driving and work animals, 2 pair good mules, cattle, 2 farm wagons, light wagons, milk wagon, heavy double work harness, double and single light harness, and 3 good saddles; also farming implements.

Terms: All sums over \$25.00, six months time on bankable notes, with 10 per cent interest from date of sale. All sums under \$25.00 must be cash. Don't forget the date, Dec. 24, 1909.

W. M. NEWELL, Auctioneer

Vance Auditorium

Come to the dance of the season at the Vance Auditorium on Friday, December 24th, and don't forget we have another dance Christmas night, and yet another on New Year's night which will be the finest masquerade ball of the winter.

\$65,000.00

**THE CAPITAL AND
SURPLUS
of
THE MESA CITY BANK**
We solicit your patronage

Cold Feet

mean cold weather. The MESA DAIRY AND ICE COMPANY can send you the best of coal at reasonable prices. Mesa Cheese and Butter are noted in Arizona. We keep only the best.

LAPHAM GARAGE

Long Distance Phone Main 106.

Rural Phone, Rural 84.

Our rate on our roads, \$2.75 per hour. Round trip to Roosevelt, four or five passengers, \$65.00. We can take three or four persons to Tempe and back for less than \$3.00. If you ride with us you ride in a high power handsome car.

MESA PAINT SHOP

If a man loves a girl, that is his business.
If a girl loves a fellow, that is her business.
If they buy a house, that is their business.
If the house wants painting, that is O. U. R. BUSINESS.

B. Snyder

S. Martin

O. Peterson

20 acres one-half mile from the center of the town of Mesa, nice clean land for oranges, half share of water. This twenty is the west half of the Kimball forty, on North Center street. Price, \$5250.00.

Mesa Land Co.
Mesa, A. T.

OPENSHAW & JOHNSON

Dealers in fancy and staple Groceries, fresh and dried Fruits, Sweet and Sour Pickles. Our solicitor will call.

**POST CARDS FOR
XMAS.
COME SEE THEM.
FINEST CIGARS
CRESCENT DRUG CO**

CHRISTMAS

means mince pies, nuts of all kinds, oranges, apples, figs, and dates. We have a fresh stock on hand; also delicious chocolates and assorted candy. Mesa Bakery Cash Store.

PETERSON & PETERSON.

JEWELRY

Makes the finest Xmas presents. I am offering my stock at exactly half price. The items comprise cuff buttons, watch fobs and lodge charms, rings, bracelets, brooches and veil pins, and chains. Come in and inspect them. Remember, they are HALF PRICE.

Grover's Corner Store.
MESA, ARIZ.

ALHAMBRA HOTEL

Mrs. Edgar Demick, Proprietor. Strictly First-class Hotel. First-class Dining Room. Bus Meets All Trains. Large Sample Room.

R. N. STAPLEY & BRO

First-Class Plumbing

Pomeroy - Guthrie

Realty Company
The Oldest Realty Co. in Mesa.
Box 247.

DECORATIONS

FOR CHRISTMAS

The Stores of Mesa in Gaudy Holiday Dress.

Saturday afternoon and evening the streets of Mesa assumed for the first time this season a look of Yuletide festivity. There were numbers of shoppers abroad and the numerous packages and smiling faces belokened the season of the year. The merchants have planned for the holidays with care, and have as good an assortment as can be wished for from which to select remembrances for the coming gift day. The windows are prettily decorated, and it is a pleasure to watch the groups of children with their little round eyes, and Oh! One! and Ah! as they gather about one of another attractive display.

Everybody's Drug Store has excellent display windows, and they are filled with various suggestions for gifts, while sprigs of real holly enliven the many articles. Small artificial Christmas trees also give a Christmasy suggestion. LeSueur & Gibbons have well decorated windows which claim the attention of many passersby, and the Shattuck & Nimmo store has one cranberry strung, pepper bough window that sports a real Santa Claus, with a decorated tree that draws the little ones. It is an artistic bit of work that commands admiration.

At the Crescent Drug Store there are all sorts of pretty things, including a unique line of Christmas cards, and Peterson & Peterson have a display of candies and fruits that are beautifully arranged. Both the Ladies' and Gentlemen's Toggery display a fine line of goods, and the windows show marks of careful dressing with their many lovely gifts. Johnson & Openshaw have devoted their windows to candies and fruits, while the Vance Bakery also shows candies with fancy cakes in abundance. O. S. Stapley has two windows full of toys and dolls and the doll dishes attract the little girls. At the Ten Cent Store W. F. Van Meter has about everything that can be imagined, including some of the latest books and china and glass novelties. E. P. Grover also has a nice line of candies and some especially low priced jewelry, while the windows and shelves of H. H. Custead are literally covered with alluring souvenir spoons, cut glass and dainty designs in gold and silverware.

Wood's Liver Medicine in liquid form regulates the liver, relieves sick headache, constipation. It is particularly recommended for Jaundice, Chills, Fever and Malaria. Its tonic effects on the entire system are felt with the first dose. The \$1.00 bottle contains 2 1/2 times as much as the 50c size. Pleasant to take.

LOVETT DRUG CO.

EVANS SCHOOL VS. THE INDIANS
When the Indian school team of Phoenix reached town Saturday night after winning from the eastern boys by a score of 4 to 2, it was too late to get an account of the game. The following score has been handed in, however, and will be of interest to the many baseball enthusiasts both in Mesa and other towns who are watching the work of the Indians.

Evans School	A. B. H. A. P. O. E.
Hackett, ss.	4 1 3 5 1
Saltonstall, capt. 1b.	4 2 0 6 0
Cobb, 2b.	4 0 0 1 0
McConnell, p.	4 2 5 2 0
Beck, c.	4 1 3 11 1
Hale, cf.	4 0 0 0 0
Lowell, lf.	4 0 0 0 0
Lincoln, rf.	4 0 0 1 0
Allen, 3b.	4 0 0 1 1
Total	31 6 11 27 4

Score—Phoenix Indians, 4; Evans School, 2. Struck out, by McGee, 5; Harris, 7; McConnell, 9. Three base hits, Patrick, Valenzuela. Home runs, Hackett, Stolen bases, Saltonstall, McConnell, Allen, Runs, Patrick, Valenzuela, Harris, Russell, Hackett, Allen, Umpire, Mr. Lowell.

COMMENTING ON THE REPUBLICAN

Several of the business men of the city came into the office of the Mesa department of The Republican yesterday and said nice things about the Sunday issue of the paper, which numbered thirty pages. They said they appreciated that the paper was growing with the territory when it could produce such an issue as was sent out yesterday.

LEO MATTHEWS BETTER

The many friends of Leo Matthews will be glad to know that he is recovering nicely from his recent attack of appendicitis.

LAST DAY FOR TAXES

Take notice that this is the last day to pay taxes. All county taxes will become delinquent unless paid today, and a certain per cent will be added to the original sum.

Personal experience with a tube of Manzan Pile Remedy will convince you it is immediate relief for all forms of piles. Comes up in a tube with nozzle attached ready to use and gives immediate relief. Can be applied directly to the affected parts, reducing inflammation, swelling and itching. Guaranteed. Price

LOVETT DRUG CO.

PREFERRED CHARGE

WITHOUT EVIDENCE

Emil Hurler Admits Having Been Precipitate

Saturday night Emil Hurler came into town and cashed a check for \$5.00 with the Crescent Drug company. He was about town all evening and finally got his horse and rig from the Hibbert & Metz stable preparatory to driving home. In the meantime he met a friend who wanted to be driven home, and Hurler took him, then he took a second man out. Finally late in the evening he came back to the stable for a halter which he had forgotten, and still later came back saying it was so late he thought he would get a bed in town for the night. After phoning several places and finding no vacant rooms R. E. Anderson, the buggy wader at the stable offered Hurler his bed, saying he could go over and sleep with the other boys at Hibbert's place.

Yesterday morning when Hurler awoke he was minus his money, and accused Anderson of having taken it. He swore out a warrant and Marshal Peterson took the young man into custody. After interrogating him, however, and confronting him with his accusation the marshal found that he stoutly maintained his innocence. Hurler said he had no direct evidence and guessed he would have to withdraw the charge. Immediately on his doing this Anderson asked Marshal Peterson to waive all search warrants and come to the stable and go through his things that he would be satisfied that there was no money concealed there. This was done and nothing found.

Dan Hibbert says he was about the stable until close to two in the morning, and Phil Metz sleep there, and both men claim that it is very unlikely that Anderson could have taken the money. They say he has been working for them for several months and bears a good reputation and that he is an honest boy. His friends are quite incensed over the matter, and say it is absurd to charge Anderson with any crime. It is thought that Mr. Hurler misplaced his money and that he will find it.

AFTER GAME

L. B. Johnson went out Saturday afternoon and got seventeen quail within a very few hours.

Dr. R. F. Palmer and his brother went out in the auto for an hour and returned with four ducks.

A fishing party numbering five, returned with thirty big fish, all taken from Granite Reef.

TURKEY SHOOT ARRANGED

L. B. Johnson has arranged for a turkey shoot to be given Thursday, December 23. He promises plenty of grain fed turkeys, nice and fat.

WE HAVE IT.

Everything in the line of toys, books, china and glassware, toys, dolls, doll carriages and all kinds of dainty Christmas gifts. If we don't have it we will get it for you.

W. F. VAN METER.

The Ten Cent Store.

Open evenings until Xmas.

Santa Claus

Is at Everybody's Drug Store, with Presents for FATHER MOTHER BROTHER SISTER

Buy something that is useful, something good, something that will last.

**Everybody's
Druggists**

Jewelry

In every imaginable and wanted line. Bracelets, rings, brooches, pins, watches and charms, hat pins, cut glass and silverware, and a new line of souvenir spoons which are going fast. Lovely, dainty designs with prices that are right. What better can you buy than an article of jewelry which will last always. Let us show you.

H. H. CUSTEAD,
The Mesa Jeweler.

SALT RIVER VALLEY LAND COMPANY

Real Estate, Mines, Loans, Insurance.
(One Door West of Postoffice.)
Chandler Bldg. Mesa, Arizona.

THOS. YOUNG

Veterinary Surgeon.
Headquarters at Office of
MESA FREE PRESS

P. P. Myhand

Veterinary Surgeon.
Inquire of the Hibbert & Metz Livery Stable.

Do You Know

That we have a line of genuine Buckskin Moccasins that will please every woman to possess?
That Handkerchiefs are always wanted and needed? No woman ever has too many.
That the line of Dolls we have for the children is exquisite and dainty, while low prices prevail?
That there are Drums, Animals and Toys of other kinds for the little ones?
That those warm Knitted Shawls are just what Grandma would like to have?
That there are Hand Bags that are of the finest makes, and are all good leather and well made?
That we carry the finest line of Shoes in the city, including Utz and Dunns?
That we have Gloves for every occa-

sion and the celebrated Fownes make is a leader?
That the new Sweater Coats are going like hot cakes, although we have just a new shipment in?
That Veilings, Laces, Embroideries and Ribbons are selected with an especial care at this store?
That we have a line of Belts and Belt Buckles that is unsurpassed in Mesa at low prices?
That if there is anything you want and we haven't it in stock, we will procure it for you?
That if you don't know what to do you can always do the right thing by giving him or her a
MERCHANDISE COUPON ORDER?
Then the recipient will purchase whatever they desire.

The Ladies' Toggery

Mesa, Arizona.

MISS MARGUERITE CUBER

FOUND IT TO BE TRUE

That Harvard University is Harboring a Prodigy

Some time ago Miss Marguerite Cuber read in Current Events of a remarkably intelligent boy, who it was claimed, could read at the age of three years, could write and use the typewriter at five, and had entered the grammar grade at six and passed through seven grades in six months, and was then taking a special course in quaternions, one of the highest forms of mathematics at Harvard, at eleven. Being doubtful of

this article Miss Cuber wrote to President Lowell, of the Harvard University and recently she received the following reply:

Dear Miss Cuber:—President Lowell has referred to me your letter asking about the student in Harvard University who is but eleven years of age. William James Sidis was born April 1, 1898, and is registered in Harvard University as a special student. He is a genius in mathematics and in the university takes only one course, that of higher mathematics. A special student, as you know, is not a candidate for the degree of A. B.

The case of William James Sidis is not regarded here as very wonderful; but in the graduate school of Harvard University there is a boy aged fourteen, who has his degree of A. B. from Tufts College, Massachusetts. He is regarded as extraordinary.

Yours very truly,
JEROME D. GREEN, Secretary.

DIDN'T KNOW MISTLETOE

Owen Stewart, who is taking orders for and delivering nice mistletoe this year, presented the Mesa office of the Republican with a large branch of the waxy green Saturday afternoon. It was much appreciated and admired and excited some amusement for a number of the business men who happened to see it enquired what it was. Strange as it may seem, there are many people here who do not know what mistletoe really looks like, although one man was heard to remark, "Well, I thought it was something green for Christmas, but I wasn't sure."

WILL PLANT ORANGES

Dr. R. F. Palmer has announced that he is going to go into the orange business. He is making arrangements to buy eighty acres of the McQueen place, thus making his holdings 120

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Christmas



EXCURSION RATES

Following excursion rates will be on sale via the

SOUTHERN PACIFIC

during Holidays:

From Phoenix to Colton, Cal.
and return \$20.75

From Phoenix to Los Angeles
and return \$23.10

From Phoenix to Pasadena
and return \$22.80

From Phoenix to San Diego
and return \$27.10

and other points. Sale dates December 23-24-25-30-31, and January 1st. Return limit, January 4th, 1910.

A. R. GATTER, G. A. R. S. STUBBS, G. P. A.
Phoenix, Ariz. Tucson, Ariz.